

**Military Government****Weekly Health Report****Communicable Diseases**

Following last week's marked decline in reported cases of measles there was a 12 percent increase during the current week. However the rate was 5.3 per 100,000 as compared with the rate of 5.7 for the month of August. Diphtheria and Scarlet Fever each increased by more than 20 percent over the previous week with 17 cases occurring throughout the Zone. Typhomyelitis increased by 10 cases in the previous week to 36 cases in 13 towns and from 23 to 24 cases in the U. S. Sector in Berlin while there were decreases in all other locations.

Whooping Cough, however, following a secondary outbreak and tuberculous meningitis increased in incidence. Following last week's sudden rise of 100 percent, whooping cough increased by 15 percent. After a week of incidence of 10 cases in 10 towns in the Zone there was a decrease to 5 cases in 5 towns this week. Tuberculosis remained the most common disease with only a slight decrease. Whooping cough decreased 10 percent. Measles decreased according to Hesse. Wherever here-Hesse and Bavaria there was an increase of 25 percent in Bavaria. Although measles decreased over the previous week it remains at approximately the same rate as during the past month. The decrease in tuberculous meningitis of the lung and larynx is no more than the usual weekly fluctuation of reported cases.

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## U.S. Occupied Area of Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B" and "C" are summaries of communicable disease cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 6 September 1947. Sumarized in Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Land for the half month period ended 15 August 1947 (veterinary reports are submitted semi-monthly), together with a comparison of the three immediately preceding periods.

### Communicable Diseases:

Following last week's marked decline in reported cases of measles there was a 12 percent increase during the current week. However, the rate was 5.8 per 10,000 as compared with the rate of 8.7 for the month of August. Diphtheria and scarlet fever each increased by more than 20 percent over the previous week with increases occurring throughout the Zone. Poliomyelitis increases from 10 cases in the previous week to 20 cases in Hesse and from 22 to 40 cases in the U.S. Sector of Berlin, while there were decreases in all other Laender.

Whooping cough, syphilis, typhoid fever, infectious dysentery, malaria and tuberculosis all decreased in incidence. Following last week's sudden rise of 47 percent, infectious dysentery decreased by 15 percent. After three consecutive weeks of increased incidence in typhoid fever there was a decrease of 33 percent this week. Gonorrhea remained the same as last week and syphilis decreased only slightly. Whooping cough decreased by 25 percent with decreases occurring in Hesse, Wuerttemberg-Baden and Bremen, but an increase of 29 percent in Bavaria. Although malaria decreased over the previous week it remains at approximately the same rate as during the past month. The decrease in tuberculosis of the lung and larynx is no more than the usual weekly fluctuation of reported cases.

### Animal Diseases:

Fowl pest increased slightly while swine erysipelas, which has remained at the peak for the last six weeks, decreased in incidence. There were no significant changes in the other reported diseases.



# APPENDIX "A"

## Communicable Disease Report U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 6 September 1947

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES														c: Cases d: Deaths													
		Cases, Deaths																											
		Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis	Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Occupied Area	18,514,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	608 19	209 3	1028 155	164 23	306 3	4 1	80 6	2001 —	1020 —	151 13	142 —	88 2	5 1	—	—	79 —	2112 —	—	—	12 —	65 —	206 —
Unterfranken	1,032,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	27 1	7 —	35 6	6 2	32 —	1 —	—	68 —	48 —	17 3	21 —	4 1	—	—	—	3 —	182 —	—	—	—	—	34 —
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,360,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	75 2	24 —	157 —	6 —	69 —	1 —	—	222 —	113 —	20 2	5 —	5 1	1 —	—	—	18 —	419 —	—	2 —	50 —	33 —	
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,048,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	54 3	3 —	74 15	6 —	50 —	—	—	184 —	95 —	35 4	49 —	—	—	—	—	2 —	487 —	—	—	—	4 —	13 —
Schwaben	1,243,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	33 2	5 1	61 14	34 1	28 —	—	2 —	72 —	41 —	8 —	7 —	1 —	—	—	—	2 —	142 —	—	—	—	5 —	16 —
Oberbayern	2,466,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	90 —	28 —	166 15	18 —	29 —	1 —	12 —	372 —	157 —	12 —	5 —	14 —	1 —	—	—	16 —	512 —	—	—	—	5 —	2 —
Kassel	1,266,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	38 2	19 1	34 12	25 1	15 —	—	—	7 —	73 —	16 —	2 —	2 —	—	—	—	5 —	87 —	—	2 —	—	—	50 —
Wiesbaden	1,593,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	45 —	39 —	82 5	10 1	10 —	—	—	268 —	153 —	3 —	18 —	14 —	—	—	—	5 —	30 —	—	1 —	—	—	43 —
Darmstadt	1,301,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	63 4	20 —	74 8	8 —	22 —	—	8 —	67 —	40 —	2 —	—	9 —	—	—	—	—	68 —	—	1 —	—	—	6 —
Baden	1,409,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	42 3	19 —	101 9	10 —	5 —	—	—	148 —	41 —	11 —	5 —	13 —	1 —	—	—	13 —	119 —	—	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,299,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	61 —	35 —	93 24	18 5	46 —	—	1 —	178 —	83 —	14 —	25 —	1 —	2 —	—	—	1 —	43 —	—	—	—	1 —	9 —
Bremen	497,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	34 1	4 —	52 6	5 —	—	—	—	150 —	105 —	3 —	3 —	1 —	—	—	—	14 —	23 —	—	3 —	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000	P	P	P	P	P	P	46 1	6 —	99 28	18 3	—	—	—	178 —	71 —	10 —	2 —	24 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 —	—	—	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.  
+ Indicates no data submitted.



# APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) U.S.Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 6 September 1947

Land	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASES																								c: Cases		d: Deaths	
		Cases, Deaths		Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larvnx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	608	209	1028	164	306	4	80	2001	1020	151	142	88	5	—	79	2112	—	—	12	65	206
Bavaria	9,149,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	279	67	493	70	208	3	14	918	454	92	87	24	2	—	41	1742	—	—	2	64	98
Hesse	4,160,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	146	78	190	43	47	—	20	429	266	21	20	25	—	—	10	185	—	—	4	—	99
Wuerttemberg- Baden	3,708,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	103	54	194	28	51	—	1	326	124	25	30	14	3	—	14	162	—	—	—	1	9
Bremen	497,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	34	4	52	5	—	—	5	150	105	3	3	1	—	—	14	23	—	—	3	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	46	6	99	18	—	—	1	178	71	10	2	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—

Case Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	17.1	5.9	28.9	4.6	8.6	0.1	2.2	56.2	28.7	4.2	4.0	2.5	0.1	—	2.2	59.3	—	—	0.3	1.8	5.8
Bavaria	9,149,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	15.9	3.8	28.0	4.0	11.8	0.2	0.8	52.2	25.8	5.2	4.9	1.4	0.1	—	2.3	99.0	—	—	0.1	3.6	5.6
Hesse	4,160,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	18.3	9.8	23.8	5.4	5.9	—	2.5	53.6	33.3	2.6	2.5	3.1	—	—	1.3	23.1	—	—	0.5	—	12.4
Wuerttemberg-Baden	3,708,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	14.4	7.6	27.2	3.9	7.2	—	0.1	45.7	17.4	3.5	4.2	2.0	0.4	—	2.0	22.7	—	—	—	0.1	1.3
Bremen	497,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	35.6	4.2	54.4	5.2	—	—	5.2	155.9	109.9	3.1	3.1	1.0	—	—	14.6	24.1	—	—	3.1	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	23.9	3.1	51.5	9.4	—	—	0.5	20.8	92.6	5.2	1.0	12.5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.6	—	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.   
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# APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates U.S. Occupied Area of Germany for Week ending 6 September 1947

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Typhus Fever Louse Borne	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery Infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis Epidemic	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Occupied Area	18,514,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.1	5.9	28.9	4.6	8.6	0.1	2.2	56.2	28.7	4.2	4.0	2.5	0.1	—	2.2	59.3	—	0.3	1.8	5.8
Unterfranken	1,032,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.6	3.5	17.6	3.0	16.1	0.5	—	34.3	24.2	8.6	10.6	2.0	—	—	1.5	91.7	—	—	—	17.1
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,360,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.5	5.3	34.6	1.3	15.2	0.2	—	48.9	24.9	4.4	1.1	1.1	0.2	—	4.0	92.3	—	0.4	11.0	7.3
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,048,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.7	0.8	18.8	1.5	12.7	—	—	46.7	24.1	8.9	12.4	—	—	—	0.5	123.7	—	—	1.0	3.3
Schwaben	1,243,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.8	2.1	25.5	14.2	11.7	—	0.8	30.1	17.2	3.3	2.9	0.4	—	—	0.8	59.4	—	—	2.1	6.7
Oberbayern	2,466,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.0	5.9	35.0	3.8	6.1	0.2	2.5	78.4	33.1	2.5	1.1	3.0	0.2	—	3.4	108.0	—	—	1.1	0.4
Kassel	1,266,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	15.6	7.8	14.0	10.3	6.2	—	2.9	38.6	30.0	6.6	0.8	0.8	—	—	2.1	35.7	—	0.8	—	20.5
Wiesbaden	1,593,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.7	12.7	26.8	3.3	3.3	—	1.6	87.5	49.9	1.0	5.9	4.6	—	—	1.6	9.8	—	0.3	—	14.0
Darmstadt	1,301,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.2	8.0	29.6	3.2	8.8	—	3.2	26.8	16.0	0.8	—	3.6	—	—	—	27.2	—	0.4	—	2.4
Baden	1,409,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	15.5	7.0	37.3	3.7	1.8	—	—	54.6	15.1	4.1	1.8	4.8	0.4	—	4.8	43.9	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,299,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.8	7.9	21.0	4.1	10.4	—	0.2	40.3	18.8	3.2	5.7	0.2	0.5	—	0.2	9.7	—	—	0.2	2.0
Bremen	497,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	35.6	4.2	54.4	5.2	—	—	5.2	156.9	103.9	3.1	3.1	1.0	—	—	14.6	24.1	—	3.1	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	1,000,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.9	3.1	51.5	9.4	+	0.5	20.8	92.6	36.9	5.2	1.0	12.5	—	—	—	+	—	—	1.6	+

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 July 1947.

+ Indicates no date submitted. — Indicates no cases reported. 0.0 Indicates rates between 0 and 0.05. (Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum).

# APPENDIX "D"

## Incidence of Reportable Animal Diseases in the US Zone of Germany for the Period 1-15 August 1947\*

Disease	Land Bavaria	Land Hesse	Land Baden Württbg.	Land Bremen	Berlin Dist.	Total US Zone 1-15 August	Total US Zone 16-31 July	Total US Zone 1-15 July	Total US Zone 16-30 June
Anthrax								1	
Blackleg	1			1		2		2	
Coital vesicular exanthema			5			5			
Contagious abortion of bovine	5	1				6	5	2	4
Dourine of equine									
Encephalomyelitis of equine (& Borna)	2	1	1			4	7	12	16
Erysipelas	247	111	58		1	417	534	535	534
Foot and mouth disease									
Fowl cholera	4					4	2		1
Fowl pest	51	2	18			71	55	120	54
Glanders	1					1	5	1	4
Infectious anemia of equine	3	2	1			6	12	10	17
Malignant edema of bovine									
Pox of ovine									
Rabies									1
Scabies of bovine									1
Scabies of equine	7					7	4	10	19
Scabies of ovine	15	1	1			17	5	5	7
Swine fever							1	6	
Texas tick fever		5				5	1	4	21
Trichomoniasis							5	1	2
Tuberculosis of bovine (open)		1	6			7	4	7	3
Brood disease of Bees			4			4			
Strangles of Horses							1		
Nosemosis of Bees								4	

\*All Figures are numbers of farms newly infected.





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